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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION

I, James W. Forbes, as an inventor named in the application for an invention entitled DROPPED DECK CENTER BEAM RAIL ROAD CAR, Serial No. 09/705,056, filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 2, 2000, hereby declare that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and all amendment made in this case, including the claims and declare that the subject matter of all such amendments was part of my invention and was invented before the filing of the original application, above identified, for such invention. I also ratify all acts of my attorneys in the prosecution of this application.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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